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| Hiroshi TAKAMI |) | |
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REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, dated October 5, 2004, in the above-identified application. The Issue Fee is due on January 5, 2005, and has not yet been paid.

Applicant filed an Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") in the application, on July 11, 2003. Attached is a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement and date-stamped postcard showing receipt of these papers in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

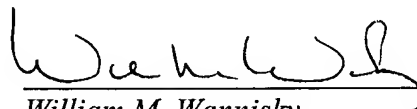
In the IDS, Applicant cited U.S. Patent No. 6,532,347 B2 (Watanabe, et al.). In the Official Action, dated June 9, 2004, the Examiner relied on Watanabe, et al. in rejecting the claims. In addition, the cover page (PTOL-326) of the Official Action indicated that a copy of a citation form PTO-1449 was enclosed. However, no copy of the citation form was received with the Official Action. It is clear that the Examiner considered Watanabe, et al.

Applicants respectfully request a copy of the citation form annotated with the Examiner's initials and date acknowledging receipt and consideration of the cited art to ensure that Watanabe, et al. is made of record and appears on the cover of any patent issuing from the application.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to the New York office at the below-listed address.

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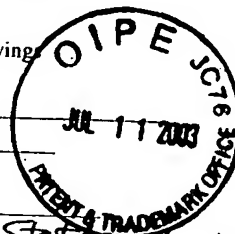


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Kindly acknowledge receipt of the accompanying:

- ☒ Specifications, claims and abstract 47 *including cover page* pages, with Transmittal Form
☒ Patent Application Bibliographic Data Sheet 2 sheets
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☒ 13 Sheets of ☒ formal ☐ informal drawing
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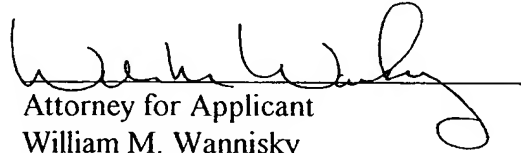
Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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